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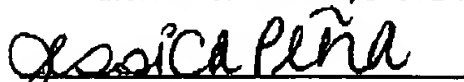
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I. INTRODUCTION

This paper is being filed in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated October 10, 2006. It is being filed within the period of time for response. A corrected section of the amendment [the complete claim section] is included in this response.